FY 2014 CDC/ATSDR Guidance for Operations under the Continuing Resolution (CR)

Overview

On October 17, 2013 the President signed into effect House Resolution 2775 providing continuing appropriations for federal agencies into fiscal year (FY) 2014. This year's Continuing Resolution (CR) establishes spending levels for federal agencies from October 1, 2013 through January 15, 2014. If FY 2014 appropriations are enacted before January 15, 2014 the CR will no longer be in effect.

This CR does not address the potential January 2014 automatic sequester mandated by the 2011 Budget Control Act. If sequestration takes effect, agencies will implement formula-based cuts for the remaining nine months of FY 2014. If sequestration is avoided, there still may be discretionary cuts enacted through the FY 2014 appropriations process. The continuing resolution guidance from the Office of Management and Budget mandates agencies keep general spending at a minimum level.

Funding Strategy under the CR:

- CDC programs that typically award grants during this time period are constrained by the amount of funding available to them under the CR, which is 29.32% of the FY 2013 level for each of the twelve CDC annually appropriated accounts.
- CDC will limit hiring.
- CDC will continue to comply with the President's Executive Orders (EO) requiring efforts to reduce administrative costs in several categories.
- CDC will limit hosting and attending conferences. If conferences are essential, CDC must hold them in space controlled by the federal government whenever practical and cost-effective.

Funding Limitations:

- Affordable Care Act Prevention and Public Health Fund (PPHF)
 CDC has not received authority from HHS to use FY 2014 PPHF dollars.
- Carry-over Balances
 Unexpired carry-over balances are not impacted by the CR.
- Unexpired Multi-year and No-year Funds
 No-year appropriations are generally appropriated and authorized by Congress only at their inception, and funds are made available "until expended." For this reason they are not affected by CR restrictions.

Programs Funded by Mandatory Appropriations

A CR normally does not affect mandatory appropriations provided in authorizing legislation. Programs under CDC's World Trade Center, Vaccines for Children, and Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act are authorized under a mandatory appropriation and are not subject to CR limitations.

Programs Funded Through Interdepartmental Delegation Authority (IDDA) Transfers

Programs, projects and activities funded under the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR) will be subject to IDDA authorization limitations from HHS acting on behalf of the US State Department.